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Boston Book Festival cancels One City One Story event amid plagiarism flap

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Larson has said that her former friend’s experience as a kidney donor served as inspiration for her fictional story of a woman who was a kidney recipient. But she has steadfastly denied plagiarizing from Dorland’s online post.

“Fiction writers regularly encounter ideas in the world — whether from ads, catalogues, tombstones, or tweets — and we re-imagine and transform their elements for completely fictional narratives,” Larson wrote in an e-mail to the Globe this weekend. “Let’s keep this in perspective: Ms. Dorland’s letter was not art; it was correspondence that she posted on Facebook.”

Larson said yesterday that her position had not changed and that she was considering her own legal options.

The saga began in June when Dorland notified festival organizers of her concerns about Larson’s story. After examining the evidence, festival officials

asked Larson, a program director at the GrubStreet literary center in Boston, to rework the contested section, and she agreed to do so.

In response to the controversy, American Short Fiction, which published “The Kindest” online in May, said in a June statement that “in the interests of finding an agreeable solution, we decided to sunset” the story, which had already “completed a one-month run on our website.”

Late last week Audible and Brilliance Audio said they would suspend audiobook sales of the story. The decisions by the audiobook publishers, which are both owned by Amazon, came about after the discovery of a Brilliance version of the story, which contained more similarities to Dorland’s Facebook post than did the Audible version or the one originally accepted by the Boston Book Festival.

The origin tale of the Brilliance version contains twists worthy of a detective mystery.

Larson recorded “The Kindest” for Audible in 2016, according to Yael Goldstein Love, editorial director of Plympton, which produces fiction for digital platforms. Goldstein Love helped connect Larson and Audible and provided a chronicle of the publication process, an account that was verified by Audible.

Around that same time, Dorland, who had heard about the existence of the story through a mutual friend, confronted Larson by e-mail about it. Dorland said that she had not yet read the piece and was unaware of any actual similarities. Instead she was upset to learn that a focus of Larson’s tale was a kidney donation and that she had been left out of the loop.

After a tense e-mail exchange, Larson circled back to Audible and on July 15, 2016, asked to re-record a short section of “The Kindest” — which included the material that would later become the focus of the dispute.

“The Kindest” was then re-recorded, and that revised version was released by Audible in August 2016 as a downloadable file.

But by mistake, Brilliance Audio accidentally published the original, unrevised version of “The Kindest.”

“Personally, my childhood was marked by trauma and abuse; I didn’t have the opportunity to form secure attachments with my family of origin,” reads one line in Dorland’s letter.

“My own childhood was marked by trauma and abuse; I wasn’t given an opportunity to form secure attachments with my family of origin,” reads the corresponding part of the Brilliance version.

“I’ve always acknowledged that I read her letter and found it inspirational,” Larson wrote in an e-mail this weekend. “What I consented to have published is fiction, as is its language.”

When contacted for response over the weekend, Eve Bridburg, founder and executive director of GrubStreet, said that “we’re naturally troubled when accusations of this nature are raised, but the creative process is a complex one, and we do not publicly discuss specific issues involving our employees.” On Monday a GrubStreet representative, who spoke on behalf of Bridburg, who was on vacation, said she stands by the comment.

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Campers at Ricker's Kinderkamp, which has been operating on Pierce Pond in Leon, waiting for the lifeguards to get in place on an overcast Monday.

Judge blocks bid for names

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A Superior Court judge on Monday blocked prosecutors' bid for the names of witnesses who cooperated with an internal probe of the state Senate's former president, Stanley C. Rosenberg, saying he respects the chamber's promise to protect their identities.

The decision is a blow to Attorney General Maura T. Healey's office, which argued the records could provide a window into additional potential victims as it prosecutes Rosenberg's husband, Bryon Hefner, on multiple charges of sexual assault.

Says witnesses against ex-Senate husband were promised confidential

Judge William F. Sullivan said the witnesses did not come forward willingly in the Senate investigation and spoke to Senate-hired investigators from Hogan Lovells US LLP only "after repeated assurances" their names would remain confidential.

Last month, Sullivan said in a hearing that there might be "wiggle room" for the Senate to share its documents. But in his order, he said the promise of confidentiality "should not be an empty one."

"There may be a compelling reason why a victim does not come forward or come forward only after a criminal case is closed," his nine-page ruling says. "The highly personal nature of the case is one for many reasons."

"The allegations were told that they should be protected as added."

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Carman's legal

Nathan Carman (above) is the center of separate investigations into the murder of his wealthy wife and her disappearance of his wife over motions from his wife to provide legal documents related to his social media.

\$15m to Partners in Health

Partners in Health, a national medical charity, has received a \$15 million gift to support developing nations. B4

Victim impact

During a court hearing, the victim's family and other victims relate ongoing impact of the victim's 6-year-old son.

ner Foundation, called the donation “an investment in the communities where Partners in Health is working, and an investment in a model that I hope will be replicated elsewhere.”

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Kindly,
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the elder Allen said. "You can't turned to his faith as he confronted the death of his son and regulate who people are."